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SEPTEMBER YOUTH AND TEEN ACTIVITIES AT THE VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY

Glendale, Ariz. — Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave., is planning the following free activities for youth and teens in September:

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month!

Studies show that children learn best when they have the opportunity to pursue their own interests. That's why a library card is the most important school supply of all. Glendale Public Libraries provide students with access to innovative programs, classes and education resources to support their curiosity. Best of all, it won't cost you a thing – it's free with a library card. Open the door to a world of possibilities for the student in your life and sign up for a library card today. Stop by one of Glendale's three libraries, call 623-930-3530 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

TEEN ACTIVITIES

Teen Library Council Meeting - Thursday, Sept. 19

Are you looking for something fun to do that can actually make a difference? By becoming a Teen Library Council member, you can earn volunteer service hours, have a good time and meet new people, all while helping to make the library a better place for teens. The library is currently recruiting teens, ages 12-18, to provide input on the selection of books and music for the branch's teen collection. Council members also participate in the planning and presentation of library teen events. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call Greg at 623-930-3441.

Teen Game Café – Saturday, Sept. 21

Teens ages 12-18 can participate in a free afternoon of board and video game tournaments from 2-3:30 p.m. Challenge your friends and other teens to a variety of Wii, X-BOX 360 and PlayStation game favorites. Board games including chess, checkers, Life, Monopoly and others will also be available. Each time you win a game, you'll receive a drawing entry for the chance to win a grand prize at the end of the event. Feel free to bring your own games (rated E or T only please). Soda and snacks will be served. Register online using the library's event calendar at www.glendaleaz.com/library or call 623-930-3437. Registration opens Sept. 2.

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“Get Graphic” Teen Book Club - Thursday, Sept. 26

The monthly meeting of the “Get Graphic” Teen Book Club will be held at 6:30 p.m. Manga and comic book fans, ages 12-18, will not want to miss this monthly opportunity to talk with other teens about their favorite graphic reads and view anime. Upcoming movies and video games are also discussed. Bring along a graphic novel or comic book of your choice. Snacks will be provided. Register online using the library’s event calendar at www.glendaleaz.com/library or call 623-930-3437.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Story Time @ Velma Teague Branch Library – Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18 and 25

Preschoolers can visit the library at 10:30 a.m. for a 30-minute program that includes stories, songs, fingerplays and short movies. An adult must accompany those under three years old. Registration is not required. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

Baby Time @ Velma Teague Branch Library – Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18 and 25

Parents/caregivers and infants, newborn to 18 months, can participate in Baby Time held from 11 to 11:20 a.m. The programs include an introduction to books, fingerplays, action rhymes and puppets. Registration is not required. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

STEM @ Your Library: Messy Mixtures: Slime, Oobleck and More! – Thursday, Sept. 12

Children ages 7-12 can learn about viscosity and non-Newtonian fluids like oobleck, silly putty and quicksand in this hands-on workshop held from 6 to 7 p.m. STEM is an educational initiative featuring science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This program was supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. Registration is required and begins on Sept. 9. To register or for more information, call 623-930-3437, stop by the youth reference desk or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Lego Mania – Monday, Sept. 16

Children ages 5-12 are invited to explore the world of STEM, an education initiative featuring science, technology, engineering and mathematics, through Legos at this free program held at 1 p.m. Build a masterpiece while learning about exciting STEM-related themes like symmetry, motion and friction. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3437, stop by the youth desk or register online at www.glendaleaz.com/library. Registration begins Sept. 3.

Getting Crafty with Miss Janet – Thursday, Sept. 26

Children ages 11 and younger are invited to some creative fun with Miss Janet at 3:30 p.m. This month children can chose to make an apple fan or frog door hanger craft. Adult helpers must accompany children under 6 years old. Registration is not required. Call 623-930-3437 for more information.

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